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THE

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF MANAGERS

OF THE

HOUSE OF REFUGE.

WITH

AN APPENDIX,

CONTAINING

The Annual Statement of the Treasurer, the Annual Report of the Ladies' Committee, and those of the Superintendents and Principal Teachers.

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## ANNUAL REPORT.

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*To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and to the Contributors to the House of Refuge,*

THE Report of the condition of the Institution for the year that has just closed is respectfully submitted by the Board of Managers.

Since the thirty-first day of December, 1851, the following admissions and discharges have taken place, viz. :—

### ADMISSIONS.

#### *White Department.*

|           |           |
|-----------|-----------|
| 164 boys. | 60 girls. |
|-----------|-----------|

#### *Colored Department.*

|          |           |
|----------|-----------|
| 36 boys. | 44 girls. |
|----------|-----------|

### DISCHARGES.

#### *White Department.*

|           |           |
|-----------|-----------|
| 169 boys. | 58 girls. |
|-----------|-----------|

#### *Colored Department.*

|          |           |
|----------|-----------|
| 43 boys. | 37 girls. |
|----------|-----------|

There remained in the Institution, on the 31st ult., 233 boys, and 89 girls, viz.:—

*White Department.*

149 boys. 49 girls.

*Colored Department.*

84 boys. 40 girls.

Reference is asked to the reports of the Superintendents of the two departments of the Institution for information as to the modes and places of commitment of the inmates, also as to the places of their nativity, and their average age when admitted.

The following table will show the number of admissions and deaths each year since the opening of the House, and the average number of inmates in each of the eleven years last past.

WHITE DEPARTMENT.

|                | ADMITTED. |        | Average No. of inmates<br>during the year. | Died. |
|----------------|-----------|--------|--------------------------------------------|-------|
|                | Boys.     | Girls. |                                            |       |
| 1828,          | 18        | 3      | —                                          | 0     |
| 1829,          | 131       | 38     | —                                          | 1     |
| 1830,          | 66        | 35     | —                                          | 0     |
| 1831,          | 87        | 24     | —                                          | 2     |
| 1832,          | 89        | 37     | —                                          | 0     |
| 1833,          | 57        | 24     | —                                          | 1     |
| 1834,          | 73        | 35     | —                                          | 7     |
| 1835,          | 92        | 25     | —                                          | 0     |
| 1836,          | 55        | 29     | —                                          | 1     |
| 1837,          | 73        | 30     | —                                          | 2     |
| Carried for'd, | 741       | 280    |                                            | 14    |



|               | ADMITTED. |        | Average No. of inmates<br>during the year. | Died. |
|---------------|-----------|--------|--------------------------------------------|-------|
|               | Boys.     | Girls. |                                            |       |
| Br't forward, | 741       | 280    |                                            | 14    |
| 1838,         | 87        | 44     | —                                          | 1     |
| 1839,         | 73        | 54     | —                                          | 0     |
| 1840,         | 66        | 23     | —                                          | 1     |
| 1841,         | 80        | 39     | —                                          | 2     |
| 1842,         | 61        | 39     | 155                                        | 3     |
| 1843,         | 69        | 33     | 152                                        | 0     |
| 1844,         | 64        | 35     | 165                                        | 1     |
| 1845,         | 100       | 39     | 180                                        | 5     |
| 1846,         | 78        | 31     | 194                                        | 2     |
| 1847,         | 115       | 24     | 195                                        | 1     |
| 1848,         | 121       | 34     | 206                                        | 1     |
| 1849,         | 139       | 38     | 216                                        | 1     |
| 1850,         | 181       | 50     | 236                                        | 1     |
| 1851,         | 222       | 54     | 212                                        | 2     |
| 1852,         | 164       | 60     | 198                                        | 3     |
| Total         | 2361      | 877    |                                            | 38    |

## COLORED DEPARTMENT.

|       | ADMITTED. |        | Average No. of inmates<br>during the year. | Died. |
|-------|-----------|--------|--------------------------------------------|-------|
|       | Boys.     | Girls. |                                            |       |
| 1850, | 103       | 45     | —                                          | 1     |
| 1851, | 74        | 27     | 117                                        | 0     |
| 1852, | 36        | 44     | 120                                        | 4     |
| Total | 213       | 116    |                                            | 5     |

The various trades and other occupations to which the inmates indentured during the past year have been placed, will be found stated in the reports of the Superintendents of the two departments.

Many gratifying letters have been received from those who have taken apprentices from us, showing their good conduct. Extracts from some of these will be found in the Appendix. It is part of the contract that the master shall satisfy the Board that he has complied with the covenants of the indenture; and, during the continuance of the term, he is required yearly to inform the Superintendent of the conduct and health of the apprentice.

It is a matter of deep solicitude to the Indenturing Committee to procure suitable places for the inmates. For the white children there are many applicants, but very considerable difficulty has occurred in obtaining proper situations for the colored. It is hoped that the good conduct of those already apprenticed will be such as to increase the desire to have inmates from this asylum.

Many interesting visits have, as in previous years, been received from those formerly under our care.

The boys of the White Department have been regularly occupied during their hours for work in making razor-strops, caning seats for chairs, book-binding, and shoemaking. In the Colored Department, the Board were unable to procure constant employment for the boys. Recently an arrangement was made to introduce cane-seating for chairs, and now all the male inmates are engaged in this business, or in making umbrella furniture. When the boys in this department could not be employed in the shops, additional instruction was given them in the school.

The girls in both departments are fully occupied in making, mending, and washing the clothing of the inmates, and with various household duties.

Rather more than four hours are daily devoted to the



duties of the school-room, and ample opportunity is afforded for exercise and recreation.

“The general health of the inmates,” says the physician, in his report, “has been, during the greater part of the past year, decidedly favorable. At the White Department there have been three deaths; one from dysentery, and one from inflammation of the brain, and one from scrofulous consumption. At the Colored, four deaths; three from consumption under some of its forms, and one from typhoid fever. In the last case the fever was of mild type, but the boy was consumptive at the time, and had not sufficient vital energy to resist even a mild disease. It is worthy of remark, that since the opening of the Colored Department (now three years) no death has occurred there that has not resulted mediately or immediately from pulmonary disease, a disease existing in the patients at the time of their admission, a constitutional disorder.”

The amount earned by the labor of the boys has been—

|                                     |            |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| In the White Department . . . . .   | \$5,127 82 |
| In the Colored Department . . . . . | 1,526 76   |
|                                     | <hr/>      |
|                                     | \$6,654 58 |

|                                                             |             |
|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| The current expenses of the White Department were . . . . . | \$14,051 65 |
| Of the Colored Department . . . . .                         | 9,794 40    |
| For account of both departments in common . . . . .         | 1,199 39    |
|                                                             | <hr/>       |
|                                                             | \$25,045 44 |

The Treasurer's account, hereunto annexed, will exhibit a general view of the fiscal concerns of the Institu-

tion, while the details of the current expenses will be found in the reports of the Superintendents. The Assistant Superintendent and Teacher of the Boys' School, at the Colored Department, having resigned, Mr. H. D. Perry was transferred from the White Department, and his place supplied there by the reappointment of Mr. George Blyth, who formerly held that situation. Much to the regret of the Board, Miss Mary Howard retired from her situation of Assistant Matron and Teacher of the Girls' School of the Colored Department. She has been succeeded by Mrs. Martha A. Barbour.

Mrs. Anna Maria McPhail, who was for several years the Assistant Matron of the White Department, and Matron of the Colored Department since it was opened, retired from her situation on the 30th ult.

She always discharged her arduous duties with great ability and fidelity, and justly merited and enjoyed the confidence of the Board, and bears with her their best wishes for her happiness. Miss Elizabeth Freeland, who has been chosen Matron in the place of Mrs. McPhail, has already been several weeks at the Institution, and has thus become acquainted with the inmates and her routine of duty, and has had the advantage of the example and advice of her predecessor in the management of her department.

The Ladies' Committee continue their labors of love, and endeavor, both by precept and example, to encourage the female inmates in the path of duty and virtue.

The Clergy of different denominations cheerfully give their disinterested services on Sunday, when religious exercises are had both morning and afternoon.

The Sunday Schools are conducted by the same kind



friends who have, for many years, had the management of them.

The Libraries in both departments have been more extensively used by the inmates than in any former year, and a greater desire has been evinced by them to profit by the opportunities afforded them of acquiring useful instruction.

No change has been made in the course of instruction pursued in the Day Schools. It is the great desire of the Board that the pupils should be well grounded in the elements of an English education.

The Teachers' Reports show that a very large portion of those admitted scarcely know the alphabet; and some have *never* received the *slightest* instruction, literary, moral, or religious. It is, therefore, no matter of surprise that such neglected children should not tread in the paths of virtue.

Juvenile delinquency has frightfully increased, as well in the large cities of our country as in those of Europe. It was stated, not long since, by a distinguished member of the British House of Peers that more than twenty-five thousand children in London lived by begging or stealing. The causes which produce this wide-spread evil deeply concern the statesman as well as the philanthropist. They should be fully investigated and maturely considered, in order that a proper remedy may be applied. With a view to elicit information on this important subject, the Managers have offered a premium of one hundred dollars for the best essay, and another of fifty dollars for the next best essay on the causes producing and the best means of preventing juvenile delinquency. The result of the examination of the essays which may be offered in compe-

tition for these premiums will be communicated to the public.

Owing to the crowded state of the Colored Department, the Board have been obliged to notify the magistrates of the City and County of Philadelphia, that they could not receive into it males of the age of fourteen years and over, except under peculiar circumstances. The adoption of this regulation was painful to the Managers, but necessity compelled it, and they have appealed to their fellow-citizens for such aid as will enable them to enlarge the accommodations. "At an expense of only ten thousand dollars, provision can be made for one hundred and twenty-five additional inmates, and thus the benefit of the Institution can be readily more than doubled by an outlay of less than *one-seventh* of the original cost." They ardently hope that the appeal will be responded to in that liberal spirit which characterizes Philadelphia, that the means required will be cheerfully furnished, and the Managers thus enabled to make suitable provision for a very destitute and helpless portion of the community. The benefactors to the Institution will not only "enjoy the luxury of doing good, but, in a measure, at least, derive additional security for their property, and relief in diminished taxation."

In their last report, the Managers stated a plan for the contemplated new building for white children had been prepared by a committee and adopted by the Board.

Encouraged by the approbation and liberality of the legislature, the Board entered into a contract with John Killgore and John R. Hudders, on the 29th day of March last, for the erection of the outer walls and buildings, &c., for the first and second classes, under the superintendence of John McArthur, Jr., architect. The



erection of the buildings for the third class (intended to consist of the older and more hardened delinquents) was necessarily postponed for the present for want of the necessary funds. The outer walls are of stone, laid in superior rubble work, and inclose about four and a half acres. The buildings which they surround are of brick.

Early in the month of April last, ground was broken and the work commenced. For several weeks but little progress could be made in the excavation owing to heavy and continued rains.

The corner-stone was laid June 15, 1852, and from that time until the present the work has proceeded rapidly and without interruption, the entire buildings being much farther advanced towards completion than was at all anticipated by either the Building Committee or contractor.

The inclosing wall surrounding the lot, the workshops, together with the boys' dormitories, chapel, infirmaries, school-rooms, and male officers' apartments are now under roof and the floors are being laid, while the whole of the cellars have been excavated, and the first floor of joists laid upon *all* the buildings. Should the spring open favorably, it is confidently expected that the whole will be finished and fit for occupancy on or before January 1, 1854.

The Institution has sustained a severe loss in the death of Alexander Symington, Esq., and the Managers lament a cherished friend.

Mr. Symington was one of the oldest members of the Board, and always solicitous to promote the welfare of the Refuge. Unostentatious in his benevolence, ardent in his piety, firm in his friendships, prompt in the dis-



charge of his duties, and always courteous, he deservedly enjoyed the affection and respect of his associates.

Commending the Institution and those interested with its direction to the favor of the Allwise and Beneficent Giver of all good, the Managers resign the trust confided to them into the hands of the contributors.

By order of the Board of Managers.

THOMAS P. COPE, *Chairman.*

Attested—JOHN BIDDLE, *Secretary.*

PHILADELPHIA, *January 4, 1853.*

## APPENDIX.

### CONDENSED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS BY THE TREASURER OF THE HOUSE OF REFUGE, DURING THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1852.

*House of Refuge in general account with*

JOHN L. GODDARD, *Treasurer.*

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|                                                                                |        |         |                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------|--------------------|
| By cash balance last year                                                      |        | \$1,396 | 36                 |
| By cash rec'd from Interest, Donations, Annual Subscriptions, &c.              |        | 4,649   | 57                 |
| “ from labor of Boys, White Department                                         |        | 6,439   | 82                 |
| “ from labor of Boys, Colored Department                                       |        | 1,736   | 98                 |
| “ from J. D. Whetham, payment on Lot corner of<br>Ridge Road and Coates Street |        | 9,044   | 25                 |
| “ from sale of Pennsylvania 4½ per cents (balance due)                         |        | 7,260   | 18                 |
| “ on account of County Appropriation                                           |        | 5,000   | 00                 |
| “ State Appropriation                                                          | 11,000 |         |                    |
| “ less discount on uncurrent money                                             | 55     | 10,945  | 00                 |
| “ on Loan secured by Mortgage on<br>Real Estate in Coates Street               |        | 40,000  | 00                 |
| “ from discounted order of County<br>Commissioners on County Treasurer         | 2,000  | 00      |                    |
| “ less discount                                                                | 11     | 67      | 1,988 33           |
|                                                                                |        |         | <u>\$88,460 49</u> |

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|                                                            |          |                    |
|------------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| To cash paid Orders, Executive Committee, White Department | \$14,898 | 62                 |
| “ “ “ “ Colored Department                                 | 10,337   | 38                 |
| “ “ Building Committee                                     | 62,286   | 78                 |
| “ Interest on Mortgage                                     | 390      | 00                 |
| To balance on hand                                         | 547      | 71                 |
|                                                            |          | <u>\$88,460 49</u> |

PHILADELPHIA, January 1, 1853.

By cash balance . . . . . \$547 71

E. & O. E.

JOHN L. GODDARD, *Treasurer.*

The undersigned, a Committee of the Board of Managers of the House of Refuge, certify that they have examined the accounts of John L. Goddard, Treasurer, and compared them with his vouchers, and find them correct, showing a balance in his hands of five hundred and forty-seven dollars and seventy-one cents.

1st Mo., 11, 1853.

WM. M. COLLINS,

ALEXANDER FULLERTON.



## REPORT OF THE LADIES' COMMITTEE.

OUR labors in the House of Refuge for another year are closing, and with pleasure we submit to the Board of Managers an account of our doings.

There is little variation, as from year to year our work is the same, and our visits regularly made according to appointment, and our object the welfare of the inmates of the Institution both in a temporal and spiritual point of view.

It is gratifying to be able to state that the improvement is evident in their kind feeling towards each other. Their Scripture recitations have greatly increased, and in our visits a fewer number submitted for discipline. The pleasurable feeling manifested at our visits gladdens our hearts, and inspires us with the hope that we may be the feeble instruments of doing them good.

Mrs. Morgan and her valuable assistant, Mrs. Fitzsimmons, continue to merit our warmest approbation in their government and anxiety to promote the interest of those under their charge; in their duties they are untiring, uncomplaining, and always ready.

We think there is a visible improvement in the inmates of the Colored Refuge. They are more industrious; answer more intelligently questions in explanation of scriptural passages they have recited, and there is evidently an improvement in their sewing.

We would not close this report without expressing the high estimation in which we hold the Matron of the Colored Refuge. A preparation of six years as Assistant Matron in the Refuge for White Children furnished an officer fully matured for all the arduous and responsible duties of her station. Her firm, decided, and kind government secured the respect and affection of the subjects; her courtesy and gentleness, united with her willingness to be counselled, and the facilities she was ever ready to afford the committee in their efforts to benefit those under her care, largely contributed to make their visits to the Refuge a most pleasant duty. They part with her with sincere regret.

May the advice given and the effort made to benefit these neglected and degraded children be attended with the Divine blessing, and many of them brought to the feet of Jesus. Respectfully submitted,

M. S. HACKER,  
*Secretary.*

PHILADELPHIA, *December 28, 1852.*



## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE WHITE DEPARTMENT.

*To the Managers of the House of Refuge.*

The Superintendent of the White Department respectfully reports:—

The number admitted from January 1, 1852, to January 1, 1853, is as follows:—

|                                            | Boys.     | Girls.   | Total.    |
|--------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Committed by Magistrates . . . . .         | 129       | 48       | 177       |
| “ Courts in Philadelphia County            | 6         | 1        | 7         |
| “ “ Allegheny “ .                          | 3         | 0        | 3         |
| “ “ Armstrong “ .                          | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| “ “ Berks “ .                              | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| “ “ Blair “ .                              | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| “ “ Bucks “ .                              | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| “ “ Chester “ .                            | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| “ “ Delaware “ .                           | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| “ “ Huntingdon “ .                         | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| “ “ Lancaster “ .                          | 0         | 2        | 2         |
| “ “ Lehigh “ .                             | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| “ “ Northampton “ .                        | 0         | 1        | 1         |
| “ “ Westmoreland “ .                       | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| “ “ York “ .                               | 2         | 0        | 2         |
| Returned, having been indentured . . . . . | 12        | 6        | 18        |
| “ voluntarily . . . . .                    | 3         | 2        | 5         |
|                                            | <hr/> 164 | <hr/> 60 | <hr/> 224 |

Discharged:—

|                                           | Boys.     | Girls.   | Total.    |
|-------------------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| By indenture . . . . .                    | 100       | 42       | 142       |
| Returned to friends . . . . .             | 38        | 4        | 42        |
| Not proper subjects . . . . .             | 17        | 5        | 22        |
| Sent to Almshouse . . . . .               | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| “ Magdalen Asylum . . . . .               | 0         | 3        | 3         |
| “ Sea . . . . .                           | 9         | 0        | 9         |
| Of age . . . . .                          | 0         | 3        | 3         |
| Sent to Colored Department . . . . .      | 2         | 0        | 2         |
| Died . . . . .                            | 2         | 1        | 3         |
|                                           | <hr/> 169 | <hr/> 58 | <hr/> 227 |
| Remaining in the Institution Jan. 1, 1853 | 149       | 49       | 198       |

75 were committed on complaint, and by request of their parents or nearest friends.

Those admitted were born as follows:—

In the City and County of Philadelphia, 86; in other counties of Pennsylvania, 26; New Hampshire, 2; Massachusetts, 2; New York, 7; New Jersey, 5; Delaware, 2; Maryland, 1; Virginia, 1; South Carolina, 1; Canada, 3; Ireland, 35; Germany, 10; England, 6; Wales, 1; the remainder not ascertained.

The average age of boys when admitted was 14 years; girls about 14<sup>3</sup>/<sub>5</sub>ths years.

The average number of inmates through the year was—boys, 148; girls, 50.

The greatest number of boys at any one time was 167; girls, 57.

The boys were indentured as follows: To farmers, 75; blacksmiths, 4; shoemakers, 3; plumbers, 2; millers, 2; carpenters, 2; machinist, 1; chair-maker, 1; basket-maker, 1; millwright, 1; stocking-weaver, 1; brickmaker, 1; painter, 1; block and pump-maker, 1; pattern-maker, 1; printer, 1; iron-founder, 1; tinsmith, 1.

The boys are employed at—

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Bookbinding . . . . .          | 7  |
| Making cane seats, &c. . . . . | 57 |
| “ razor-strops . . . . .       | 75 |
| Shoemaking . . . . .           | 4  |
| Miscellaneous . . . . .        | 6  |

WORK DONE BY BOYS.

*In the Bookbindery.*

|                                |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Bound volumes . . . . .        | 45,000 |
| Almanacs and primers . . . . . | 46,000 |

*In Cane Shop.*

|                                   |        |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Seats caned . . . . .             | 12,600 |
| Seat frames made . . . . .        | 24,600 |
| Umbrella cane made . . . . . gro. | 840    |
| Parasol “ “ . . . . . “           | 420    |

*In Razor-Strop Shop.*

|                            |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Strops made . . . . . doz. | 14,121 |
| Paper boxes made . . . . . | 28,342 |

*In Shoe Shop.*

|                            |       |     |
|----------------------------|-------|-----|
| Boys' shoes made . . . . . | pairs | 296 |
| Girls' " " . . . . .       | "     | 233 |
| Shoes repaired . . . . .   | "     | 888 |

WORK DONE BY GIRLS.

|                                         |           |
|-----------------------------------------|-----------|
| Jackets made . . . . .                  | 463       |
| Pants " . . . . .                       | 500       |
| Shirts " . . . . .                      | 506       |
| Boys' aprons made . . . . .             | 296       |
| Girls' " " . . . . .                    | 43        |
| " frocks " . . . . .                    | 153       |
| Under garments for girls made . . . . . | 240       |
| Quilts made (common) . . . . .          | 36        |
| " " (by patchwork) . . . . .            | 34        |
| Sheets " . . . . .                      | 39        |
| Bedticks made . . . . .                 | 76        |
| Pillow-cases made . . . . .             | 14        |
| Bed-spreads " . . . . .                 | 28        |
| Towels " . . . . .                      | 57        |
| Shoes bound . . . . .                   | pairs 234 |
| Carpet-balls made . . . . .             | lbs. 685  |
| Mending, washing, cooking, &c.          |           |

EXPENDITURES OF WHITE DEPARTMENT FOR 1852.

|                    |            |
|--------------------|------------|
| Salaries . . . . . | \$4,200 69 |
|--------------------|------------|

*Provisions.*

|                                               |          |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------|
| 2,224 lbs. Beef for officers' table . . . . . | \$178 27 |
| 23,366 " " " inmates . . . . .                | 871 26   |
| Mutton, Veal, and Pork . . . . .              | 131 13   |
| 93¾ lbs. Ham . . . . .                        | 13 71    |
| 215 bbls. Wheat Flour . . . . .               | 1055 47  |
| 174 cwt. Rye " . . . . .                      | 432 24   |
| 98 " Corn Meal . . . . .                      | 165 55   |
| 607¾ bushels Potatoes . . . . .               | 371 51   |
| 26½ " Turnips . . . . .                       | 6 63     |
| 6,164 lbs. Rice . . . . .                     | 267 58   |

Amount carried forward \$3,493 35 \$4,200 69



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|                                          | Amount brought forward | \$3,493 35 | \$4,200 69 |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|------------|
| 1,207 gallons Molasses . . . . .         | 252 14                 |            |            |
| 855 lbs. Coffee . . . . .                | 80 81                  |            |            |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ chest Tea . . . . .        | 15 87                  |            |            |
| 740 lbs. Sugar . . . . .                 | 52 97                  |            |            |
| 32 $\frac{1}{4}$ " Cheese . . . . .      | 3 34                   |            |            |
| 977 gallons Milk . . . . .               | 176 40                 |            |            |
| 379 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs. Butter . . . . .  | 99 61                  |            |            |
| Marketing . . . . .                      | 129 18                 |            |            |
| Pepper, Ginger, &c. . . . .              | 17 47                  |            |            |
| 14 sacks Salt . . . . .                  | 24 25                  |            |            |
| Hops and Malt . . . . .                  | 11 10                  |            |            |
| Beans, Peas, &c. . . . .                 | 65 50                  |            |            |
| 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ gals. Vinegar . . . . . | 4 69                   | 4,426 68   |            |

*Clothing.*

|                                          |          |          |  |
|------------------------------------------|----------|----------|--|
| Boys' Clothing . . . . .                 | \$935 48 |          |  |
| Girls' " . . . . .                       | 184 71   |          |  |
| 304 prs. Boys' Shoes . . . . .           | 286 69   |          |  |
| 181 prs. Girls' " . . . . .              | 154 90   |          |  |
| Mending . . . . .                        | 310 06   |          |  |
| Combs, Thread, &c. . . . .               | 34 62    |          |  |
| 852 $\frac{3}{4}$ yards muslin . . . . . | 60 34    | 1,966 80 |  |

*Note.*—Of the above-named amount expended for clothing, the value of that given to children on leaving the Institution is about \$700 00.

|                                                    |        |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------|
| <i>Furniture, Bedding, Brooms, &amp;c.</i> . . . . | 542 09 |
|----------------------------------------------------|--------|

|                                           |        |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|
| <i>Repairs and Improvements</i> . . . . . | 650 07 |
|-------------------------------------------|--------|

*Fuel and Heating Apparatus.*

|                             |          |        |  |
|-----------------------------|----------|--------|--|
| 130 tons Coal . . . . .     | \$468 35 |        |  |
| 5 cords Oak Wood . . . . .  | 19 06    |        |  |
| 22 " Pine " . . . . .       | 118 72   |        |  |
| Stoves and Pipe . . . . .   | 69 31    |        |  |
| Cooking Apparatus . . . . . | 16 07    | 691 51 |  |

*For Light.*

|                               |         |        |  |
|-------------------------------|---------|--------|--|
| 216 lbs. Candles . . . . .    | \$22 92 |        |  |
| 595 " Lard . . . . .          | 68 39   |        |  |
| 67 gallons Lamp Oil . . . . . | 52 59   |        |  |
| 98 " Camphene . . . . .       | 53 59   | 197 49 |  |

Amount carried forward \$12,675 33

Amount brought forward \$12,675 33

*For Cleansing.*

|                          |        |        |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| 1170 lbs. Soap . . . . . | 118 76 |        |
| Lime and Sand . . . . .  | 31 98  |        |
| Starch . . . . .         | 5 78   | 156 52 |
|                          |        | <hr/>  |

*Hospital and Funeral Expenses.*

|                                |        |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Physician's services . . . . . | 100 00 |        |
| Hospital expenses . . . . .    | 294 09 |        |
| Funeral " . . . . .            | 30 91  | 425 00 |
|                                |        | <hr/>  |

|                                        |  |        |
|----------------------------------------|--|--------|
| <i>Bringing Subjects</i> . . . . .     |  | 128 11 |
| <i>Sending away Subjects</i> . . . . . |  | 138 37 |
| <i>Water Rents</i> . . . . .           |  | 75 00  |
| <i>Cleansing Sinks</i> . . . . .       |  | 153 00 |
| <i>Postage</i> . . . . .               |  | 17 09  |
| <i>Books and Stationery</i> . . . . .  |  | 144 00 |
| <i>Printing</i> . . . . .              |  | 2 00   |
| <i>Sundries</i> . . . . .              |  | 137 23 |
|                                        |  | <hr/>  |

\$14,051 65

EXPENDED FOR BOTH WHITE AND COLORED DEPARTMENTS.

|                                               |          |          |
|-----------------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Salary of Agent and Rent of Offices . . . . . | \$542 50 |          |
| Horse-keeping . . . . .                       | 244 51   |          |
| Carriage-hire . . . . .                       | 23 25    |          |
| Repairing Carriage . . . . .                  | 44 31    |          |
| Printing Annual Reports . . . . .             | 96 17    |          |
| Sundries . . . . .                            | 248 65   | 1,199 39 |
|                                               |          | <hr/>    |

*Expended for the New White House of Refuge* . . . . . 30 00

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\$15,281 04

In reviewing the history of the White Department during the past year, the Superintendent cannot but feel a pleasurable satisfaction at the very harmonious and uninterrupted good feeling which has existed among the inmates. As the chief object of the Institution is to reform those committed to its care, he is gratified to know, from the abundant fruit developed, that its efforts have not been in vain. The poor, misguided, and unfortunate youth comes in an outcast—depravity depicted upon his



countenance; but no sooner does he begin to breathe the moral atmosphere of the Institution than a change is suddenly seen to take place; he is now beyond the reach of his former temptations, and with every inducement to commence a new life; he is now readily influenced to lend a listening ear to truth. He is soon made to feel that this place is far different from what his fancy depicted. Little else is heard or seen but the voice and manner of love. He knows he is comparatively free and beyond the fear of punishment, provided he simply does that which he soon realizes is absolutely conducive to his best welfare. And instead of the voice of discontent, that of peace and harmony continually reigns in our midst.

Youth, who never were taught to bow the knee to the Great Creator, here learn to praise and extol his name; and nowhere are the truths of religion listened to with more deference and respect than here. And, there is strong reason to believe, there are many in this excellent Institution who will become prominent and useful members of society. Could the public eye look into their sleeping apartments, and listen to the impassioned language of the youthful hearts ascending in prayer to God for blessings upon themselves, their parents, and the world, or read the simple language of their letters to those dearer to them than life, it would be said, this truly is a house of God—a nursery of Heaven.

The peaceful and triumphant death of two of the boys of the Institution is a matter of the sincerest congratulation; especially when we recollect their utter ignorance and degradation at the time of their admission. Of the one we may say, where he was first taught the language of prayer, there he calmly and peacefully breathed his last. The dying language of the other was: “I was very wicked, and knew nothing when I came here; but now I have found the precious Saviour, and I am going to him and my dear mother!” The salvation of these two boys is alone sufficient to encourage the heart of every philanthropist engaged in this glorious work.

It is gratifying to know that within the last year the “Youth’s Missionary Society of the House of Refuge” has appropriated the sum of \$40 25 to benevolent purposes as follows: viz. For the cause of Missions in Africa, \$10 25; towards the erection of a church among the Mohawk tribe of Indians, \$10 00; towards the relief of sufferers by a fire near Fairmount, \$15 00; and for the relief of an inmate on leaving the Institution, \$5 00. This money was contributed by the boys from that received for extra labor in the workshops.



During the summer the Superintendent, by direction of the Indenturing Committee, paid a visit to the boys and girls indentured to masters in the States of Delaware and Maryland. He saw 58 of them, and found them generally contented and happy, and exhibiting much promise of future usefulness.

On every hand, in this great work, there is abundant reason for thankfulness and encouragement. The antidote, so far as it has been judiciously applied, has been eminently successful in eradicating the evil which has so long disturbed the condition of society. By reference to the extracts from the letters from the masters to whom our children have been indentured, it will be seen they generally render satisfaction, and are much beloved. Of the 108 heard from during the last month, very favorable accounts, upon the whole, were given of 96.

A debt of thanks is due to the ministers of the different denominations who regularly supply our pulpit both on the mornings and afternoons of the Sabbath; and also to the Sunday-school teachers who take so deep an interest in the spiritual welfare of our children; and to the publishers of the religious and secular papers who so kindly furnished the Institution with copies of their respective journals, and which afford so much interest and profit to the inmates.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

THOMAS G. RUTHERFORD,  
*Superintendent.*

PHILADELPHIA, *January 1, 1853.*

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE COLORED DEPARTMENT.

*To the Managers of the House of Refuge.*

The Superintendent of the Colored Department respectfully reports:—

The number admitted from January 1, 1852, to January 1, 1853, is as follows:—

|                                            | Boys. | Girls. | Total. |
|--------------------------------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| Committed by Magistrates . . . . .         | 31    | 35     | 66     |
| “ Courts of Philadelphia County . . . . .  | 0     | 1      | 1      |
| “ “ Lycoming “ . . . . .                   | 0     | 1      | 1      |
| “ “ Allegheny “ . . . . .                  | 1     | 0      | 1      |
| “ “ Dauphin “ . . . . .                    | 1     | 0      | 1      |
| Returned, having been indentured . . . . . | 3     | 7      | 10     |
|                                            | 36    | 44     | 80     |

### *Discharged.*

|                                         |    |    |    |
|-----------------------------------------|----|----|----|
| By indenture . . . . .                  | 27 | 18 | 45 |
| Returned to friends . . . . .           | 9  | 12 | 21 |
| Unfit subjects . . . . .                | 3  | 4  | 7  |
| Sent to Hospital . . . . .              | 0  | 1  | 1  |
| “ Almshouse . . . . .                   | 0  | 1  | 1  |
| “ Shelter for Colored Orphans . . . . . | 1  | 0  | 1  |
| Died . . . . .                          | 3  | 1  | 4  |
|                                         | 43 | 37 | 80 |

### *Remaining in this department of the Institution,*

|                           |    |    |     |
|---------------------------|----|----|-----|
| January 1, 1853 . . . . . | 84 | 40 | 124 |
|---------------------------|----|----|-----|

Of those committed, 36 were on complaint of parents or nearest friends.

Of those committed, were born as follows: in Pennsylvania, 29; New Jersey, 7; New York, 2; Delaware, 3; Maryland, 3; Virginia, 1.

The average age of inmates, when admitted, is of boys a fraction less than 12 years; and the girls a fraction over 14.

The average number of inmates during the year is, boys  $82\frac{1}{2}$ , and girls 38.

The greatest number of boys during the year was 91, and of girls 43. The greatest number of inmates at any one time was 130.

Boys indentured have been placed as follows: Farmers, 17; waiters, 6; barbers, 2; carpenter, 1; carter, 1.



*The boys are employed in*

|                                     |       |
|-------------------------------------|-------|
| Making umbrella furniture . . . . . | 40    |
| “ cane seats . . . . .              | 17    |
| Shoemaking . . . . .                | 3     |
| Miscellaneous . . . . .             | 24    |
|                                     | <hr/> |
|                                     | 84    |

The average number employed in manufacturing umbrella furniture is 39, and have worked up 214,000 lbs. Their earnings in this department is \$1,503 46. With the exception of a few engaged in housework, the balance of the boys were unemployed (except at short intervals in picking copal gum, sewing carpet-rags, and making a few mats for the use of the House) until November 15th last, when the cane-seating commenced with two boys under the instruction of an active and steady lad from the White Department; the number was increased gradually, so that there are now 17 engaged in it. The boys in this department are principally small, varying in age from 7 to 13 years, consequently are not able at present to perform any great amount of work. Since the commencement there have been 15 dozen seats caned (\$11 25): the work has improved, both in speed and quality, as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

The shoemaking business was introduced November 30th, by placing two boys upon the bench. Owing to the amount of repairs required, there have been but few new ones made. There are now three boys engaged in it, besides their instructor, who is a lad from the White Department, and who deserves credit for the improvement made. It is intended to add another, so that they may be able to make as well as repair all that may be wanted in the Institution. The amount of work done by them is 134 pairs of shoes repaired, which would have cost, if done out of the House, \$52 12; after deducting cost of material and labor, shows a saving of \$12 05, which is, in fact, so much gain. The presumption is, after they shall have become more proficient, the saving will be still more.

## WORK DONE BY GIRLS.

|                                         |     |
|-----------------------------------------|-----|
| Jackets and pants made . . . . .        | 573 |
| Shirts made . . . . .                   | 306 |
| Aprons “ . . . . .                      | 330 |
| Girls' frocks made . . . . .            | 91  |
| Other garments for girls made . . . . . | 140 |

|                                             |     |
|---------------------------------------------|-----|
| Quilts made . . . . .                       | 15  |
| Settee cushions made . . . . .              | 2   |
| Bedticks, pillow-cases, &c. made . . . . .  | 121 |
| Towels, capes, curtains, &c. made . . . . . | 145 |
| Mending, washing, cooking, &c.              |     |

## EXPENDITURES FOR THE COLORED DEPARTMENT.

|                    |            |
|--------------------|------------|
| Salaries . . . . . | \$2,476 97 |
|--------------------|------------|

*Provisions.*

|                        |             |                |
|------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Beef for inmates       | 14,595 lbs. | \$586 80       |
| “ officers             | 1,783 “     | 143 08         |
| Mutton, Veal, and Pork | 683 “       | 62 14          |
| Ham and Dried Beef     | 314 “       | 46 54          |
| Fish                   |             | 14 52          |
| Wheat Flour            | 269 cwt.    | 651 12         |
| Rye “                  | 143 “       | 286 34         |
| Corn Meal              | 71 “        | 122 55         |
| Rice                   | 3,063 lbs.  | 137 12         |
| Beans                  | 36 bus.     | 74 00          |
| Sugar                  | 1,078 lbs.  | 72 75          |
| Butter                 | 293 “       | 78 20          |
| Coffee                 | 798 “       | 82 71          |
| Cheese                 | 73 “        | 7 66           |
| Molasses               | 1,015 gal.  | 213 73         |
| Milk                   | 642 gal.    | 115 64         |
| Potatoes               | 467 bus.    | 342 95         |
| Lard                   | 339 lbs.    | 42 51          |
| Salt                   | 8½ sacks    | 14 91          |
| Hops                   |             | 6 37           |
| Vinegar                | 86 gal.     | 7 74           |
| Dried Fruit            |             | 4 24           |
| Spices                 |             | 9 97           |
| Tea                    | 65 lbs.     | 26 79          |
| Sundries (marketing)   |             | 191 12         |
|                        |             | <hr/> 3,341 50 |

*Clothing.*

|          |          |        |
|----------|----------|--------|
| Satinet  | 692 yds. | 361 96 |
| Drilling | 705 “    | 56 37  |

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Amount carried forward \$418 33 \$5,818 47



|                    |                        |          |            |
|--------------------|------------------------|----------|------------|
|                    | Amount brought forward | \$418 33 | \$5,818 47 |
| Cutting Garments   | 634 . .                | 38 62    |            |
| Calico and Stripes | 2,364 yds. . .         | 191 34   |            |
| Towelling          | 52 " . .               | 4 46     |            |
| Flannel            | 486 " . .              | 86 86    |            |
| Boys' Shoes        | 178 pairs . .          | 170 65   |            |
| Girls' "           | 144 " . .              | 122 40   |            |
| Repairing Shoes    | 564 " . .              | 200 73   |            |
| Stockings          | 28 doz. pairs . .      | 62 50    |            |
| Suspenders         | . . .                  | 5 25     |            |
| Hats and Caps      | 26 " . .               | 68 50    |            |
| Trimmings          | . . .                  | 48 84    |            |
|                    |                        | —        | 1,418 48   |

*Note.*—About \$135 of the above-named sum was expended for clothing given to children leaving the Institution.

*Furniture and Bedding.*

|                      |               |       |        |
|----------------------|---------------|-------|--------|
| Tinware              | . .           | 25 21 |        |
| Hardware             | . .           | 46 33 |        |
| Woodenware           | . .           | 20 54 |        |
| Bedstead and Bedding | . .           | 28 00 |        |
| Straw                | 180 bund. . . | 14 00 |        |
| Brooms               | 19 doz. . .   | 28 74 |        |
| Brushes              | . .           | 40 88 |        |
| Queensware           | . .           | 37 81 |        |
| Weaving Carpet       | . .           | 7 90  |        |
|                      |               | —     | 249 41 |

*Repairs and Improvements.*

|                      |       |        |        |
|----------------------|-------|--------|--------|
| Carpenter work       | . .   | 284 32 |        |
| Brick                | " . . | 114 10 |        |
| Hardware and Tools   | . .   | 182 65 |        |
| Painting and Glazing | . .   | 47 18  |        |
|                      |       | —      | 628 25 |

*Fuel and Heating Apparatus.*

|                    |              |        |        |
|--------------------|--------------|--------|--------|
| Heaters and Stoves | . .          | 71 26  |        |
| Coal               | 120 tons . . | 481 49 |        |
| Wood               | 10 cords . . | 54 50  |        |
|                    |              | —      | 607 25 |

Amount carried forward \$8,721 86

Amount brought forward \$8,721 86

*Light.*

|     |          |   |        |        |
|-----|----------|---|--------|--------|
| Gas | .        | . | 167 91 |        |
| Oil | 30 gals. | . | 28 00  |        |
|     |          |   | <hr/>  | 195 91 |

*Hospital Expenses.*

|                          |   |   |        |        |
|--------------------------|---|---|--------|--------|
| Physician's salary       | . | . | 100 00 |        |
| Consulting               | . | . | 25 00  |        |
| Medicines                | . | . | 86 72  |        |
| Dentistry                | . | . | 28 12  |        |
| 3 Lots in Olive Cemetery | . | . | 30 00  |        |
| Funeral Expenses         | . | . | 34 75  |        |
|                          |   |   | <hr/>  | 304 59 |

*Miscellaneous.*

|                         |           |   |        |            |
|-------------------------|-----------|---|--------|------------|
| Soap                    | 1700 lbs. | . | 120 00 |            |
| Combs                   | 2½ gr.    | . | 8 75   |            |
| Starch                  | .         | . | 1 00   |            |
| Travelling              | .         | . | 9 75   |            |
| Bringing Subjects       | 44        | . | 29 37  |            |
| Garden and Hauling Dirt | .         | . | 57 62  |            |
| Postage                 | .         | . | 9 05   |            |
| Water Rent              | .         | . | 50 00  |            |
| Garden Hose             | 100 feet  | . | 25 00  |            |
| Fire “                  | 200 “     | . | 125 75 |            |
| Sundries                | .         | . | 63 24  |            |
| Stationery              | .         | . | 72 51  |            |
|                         |           |   | <hr/>  | \$572 04   |
|                         |           |   |        | <hr/>      |
|                         |           |   |        | \$9,794 40 |

Respectfully submitted.

ELISHA SWINNEY,

*Superintendent.*

PHILADELPHIA, January 1, 1853.



# REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL TEACHER OF THE BOYS' SCHOOL—WHITE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSE OF REFUGE.

*To Thomas G. Rutherford, Esq., Superintendent.*

There are two Divisions of the School. The First contains 98 boys; the Second numbers 50 boys. Mr. J. L. Chester is Assistant Teacher of the First Division; and the Second Division is under the care of Mr. C. A. Gallup.

## *Studies.*

Geography; Arithmetic; History of the United States; History of England; Map Drawing; Reading; Spelling, and Writing.

## *Books Used.*

|                                                     |                                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Davies' Arithmetic;                                 | Comly's Reader;                                    |
| Davies' First Lessons in Arithmetic;                | Emerson's Third Class Reader;                      |
| Cobb's Ciphering Book, No. 1;                       | Cobb's Sequel to Juvenile Reader;                  |
| Cobb's Ciphering Book, No. 2;                       | Cobb's Juvenile Reader;                            |
| Colburn's First Lessons in Intellectual Arithmetic; | Reese's Rudiments of Knowledge;                    |
| Underhill's Arithmetic;                             | Pierpont's Young Reader;                           |
| Mitchell's School Geography and Atlas;              | Hazen's Speller and Definer;                       |
| Mitchell's Primary Geography;                       | Worcester's Second Book;                           |
| Porter's Rhetorical Reader;                         | McGuffey's First Reader;                           |
| Trego's Geography of Pennsylvania;                  | Emerson's Progressive Primer;                      |
| North American Reader;                              | Pinnock's Goldsmith's History of England;          |
| Murray's English Reader;                            | Goodrich's Pictorial History of the United States; |
| Murray's Introduction to the English Reader;        | Olney's History of the United States.              |

## CLASSES OF THE FIRST DIVISION.

### *Proficiency.*

Class. No. Boys.

1st. 20. These are fluent readers; well grounded in arithmetic as far as vulgar fractions, and some considerably beyond that; have a good knowledge of geography; some information in United States and English History, and can write a good hand.

Class. No. Boys.

- 2d. 23. These are, with few exceptions, fluent readers; have advanced to multiplication of compound numbers; have gone through geographical exercises and a considerable part of the Descriptive Geography of the United States; are making some progress in History, and can write a tolerably good hand.
- 3d. 17. These are good readers; have advanced to reduction of denominate numbers; are making good progress in geographical exercises; read in history, and write a tolerably good hand.
- 4th. 21. These are tolerably good readers; are progressing in Mitchell's Primary Geography; have advanced to reduction of federal money, and can write tolerably well.
- 5th. 17. These are boys who have been transferred from Second Division, and those lately admitted into the House; they can read pretty well, do short division, and have commenced the study of Mitchell's Primary Geography; they are improving in writing.

CLASSES OF THE SECOND DIVISION.

*Proficiency.*

- 1st. 10. These can read slowly, numerate, and do addition.
- 2d. 14. These can spell and pronounce, and are learning to numerate.
- 3d. 12. These can spell and pronounce monosyllables.
- 4th. 14. These know their letters, and are learning to spell and pronounce.

All write on paper, and can sign their name, with but one exception.

164 Boys were admitted during the past year: of these, 66 were sent to the Second Division, and were of the following grades:—

5 could read imperfectly.

11 could read short sentences of monosyllables.

16 could spell and pronounce monosyllables.

23 were unable to pronounce.

11 were ignorant of the alphabet.

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66

None could write, or had a knowledge of the nature of figures.



98 were retained in the First Division, and were of the following grades:—

|                                      |             |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| 8 were sufficiently advanced for the | 1st Class.  |
| 7 were                               | “ “ “ 2d “  |
| 13 were                              | “ “ “ 3d “  |
| 25 were                              | “ “ “ 4th “ |
| 45* were                             | “ “ “ 5th “ |
| <hr/>                                |             |
| 98                                   |             |

169 Boys were discharged during the past year: of these, 32 went from the Second Division before they were sufficiently advanced to be transferred to the First, and were of the following grades:—

|                 |            |
|-----------------|------------|
| 6 boys from the | 1st Class. |
| 6 “ “ . . . .   | 2d “       |
| 10 “ “ . . . .  | 3d “       |
| 10 “ “ . . . .  | 4th “      |
| <hr/>           |            |
| 32              |            |

137 Boys went from the First Division, and were of the following grades:—

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| 18 boys from the | 1st Class. |
| 30 “ “ . . . .   | 2d “       |
| 36 “ “ . . . .   | 3d “       |
| 29 “ “ . . . .   | 4th “      |
| 24 “ “ . . . .   | 5th “      |
| <hr/>            |            |
| 137              |            |

The proficiency of the present classes will show the standing of those discharged during the year.

Instruction in arithmetic and geography is much facilitated by the constant use of the black board. Good orthography, a branch of education so necessary to youth, is entirely taught by dictation: tedious columns of spelling are trying to the patience of a child, whilst by the other method they learn to write readily, spell practically well, and the sentence dictated may be made to impart some useful information.

A library of nearly one thousand volumes is accessible to all; a special report of the condition and character of which will be made to the Library Committee, by request.

\* 21 of this number were transferred from Second Division.

In conclusion, I beg to assure you of my sincere desire for the intellectual and moral advancement of these youth. It is a field where good seed may be sown, though the fruit, springing up in some far distant spot, or perhaps near at hand, among the busy scenes of life, may never be seen by us: still we will willingly toil on, and having done our duty with the ability that God has given us, hope and pray for his continued assistance and final approval.

Respectfully submitted by

GEORGE BLYTH,

*Assist. Supt. and Teacher of the Boys' School.*



REPORT OF THE TEACHER OF THE GIRLS' SCHOOL—  
WHITE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSE OF REFUGE.

*To Thomas G. Rutherford, Esq., Superintendent.*

SIR: The present number of pupils is 48. Received during the past year 49. Discharged 50. Total number in attendance 99. The average attendance 45. Of those admitted, 12 could read tolerably well; 17 were beginning to read; 3 could spell words of 2 and 3 letters, and 17 were ignorant of the alphabet; 10 of the 49 could write legibly; 14 were beginning to form letters, and 24 could not make a slope; 8 could cipher in division, 3 in multiplication, 4 in addition, and 33 had no knowledge of figures.

Of the 50 discharged, 10 when admitted could read tolerably well; 16 could read a little; 3 could spell words of 2 and 3 letters; and 21 were ignorant of the alphabet; 5 of the 50 could write legibly; 14 were beginning to form letters; and 31 could not write; 1 could cipher in long division; 2 in subtraction; 3 in addition; and 41 knew nothing of figures.

When discharged, 15 could read well; 13 with ease; 10 moderately well; 7 could read a little; and 3 could spell monosyllables; 15 could write well; 17 legibly; 14 could write a little; and 4 were beginning to form letters; 8 were advanced beyond compound rules; 14 were acquainted with simple rules; 15 could cipher in multiplication; and 3 in addition.

From the above statistics you may be led to see at a glance that the life of a Refuge Teacher is a trying one, and more particularly so, when we take into consideration the short period the pupils are under her care: the average time in the House seldom exceeding 9 or 10 months. This is a short period indeed to break up and prepare the fallow ground, sow seed, and reap the fruit; yet God has been gracious to us during the past year, when we reflect that, of the 50 discharged, nearly all are doing well, giving much satisfaction to their friends and employers. This fact alone speaks well for the mild and strict discipline of our well organized institution. I am requested by the school to present a vote of thanks to Mr. Perkins and Dr. Shippen for the many tokens of approbation and encouragement received from them during the past year. And with gratitude we beg leave to acknowledge the receipt of the beautiful present we have just received from Mr. Lipman. Praying that many may follow their good example, I remain yours, &c.,

With much respect,

HESSY RICHARDSON MILLER.

# REPORT OF THE TEACHER OF THE BOYS' SCHOOL— COLORED DEPARTMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REFUGE.

*To Elisha Swinney, Superintendent.*

The school numbers 84 pupils, arranged in classes as follows :—

|                    |   |   |   |   |   |    |
|--------------------|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| Class 1st contains | . | . | . | . | . | 12 |
| “ 2d “             | . | . | . | . | . | 12 |
| “ 3d “             | . | . | . | . | . | 15 |
| “ 4th “            | . | . | . | . | . | 12 |
| “ 5th “            | . | . | . | . | . | 11 |
| “ 6th “            | . | . | . | . | . | 10 |
| “ 7th “            | . | . | . | . | . | 12 |

## *Text-Books.*

| Class. | No. |                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|--------|-----|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1.     | 12. | Sacred History; McGuffey's 4th Reader; New Testament; Vogdes's United States Arithmetic; Walker's Dictionary; Orthography and Penmanship.                                                    |
| 2.     | 12. | McGuffey's 3d Reader; English Reader; New Testament; Vogdes's United States Arithmetic; Colburn's Intellectual Arithmetic; Orthography and Penmanship.                                       |
| 3.     | 15. | Introduction to English Reader; McGuffey's 2d Reader; New Testament; United States Arithmetic, part 1st; Colburn's Intellectual Arithmetic; Arithmetical Tables; Orthography and Penmanship. |
| 4.     | 12. | Cobb's Reader, No. 3; New Testament; United States Arithmetic; Intellectual Arithmetic; Arithmetical Tables; Orthography and Penmanship.                                                     |
| 5.     | 11. | Cobb's Reader, No. 2; New Testament; Colburn's Intellectual Arithmetic; Tables; Orthography and Penmanship.                                                                                  |
| 6.     | 10. | Cobb's Reader, No. 1; Butter's Gradations; Orthography and Penmanship.                                                                                                                       |
| 7.     | 12. | McGuffey's Reader, No. 1; Orthography and Writing on Slates.                                                                                                                                 |

## *Classification in Reading.*

|                         |   |   |   |   |    |
|-------------------------|---|---|---|---|----|
| Those who can read well | . | . | . | . | 12 |
| “ “ in books generally  | . | . | . | . | 40 |
| “ “ in easy reading     | . | . | . | . | 29 |
| “ “ by syllables        | . | . | . | . | 3  |



*Classification in Arithmetic.*

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Cipher in Decimal Fractions . . . . . | 1  |
| “ “ Fractions . . . . .               | 3  |
| “ “ Compound Numbers . . . . .        | 9  |
| “ “ Simple Numbers . . . . .          | 35 |

The following tables exhibit the attainments of 34 admitted and 40 discharged during the year :—

|                                    | When admitted. | When discharged. |
|------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Could read fluently . . . . .      | 0              | 10               |
| “ in books generally . . . . .     | 5              | 16               |
| “ “ easy reading . . . . .         | 10             | 13               |
| Ignorant of the alphabet . . . . . | 19             | 1                |

|                                            | When admitted. | When discharged. |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Could cipher in Compound Numbers . . . . . | 0              | 9                |
| “ “ Simple Numbers . . . . .               | 5              | 11               |
| Knew the Multiplication Table . . . . .    | 2              | 21               |

The school has been under the care of its present teacher the last nine months. He feels a satisfaction in saying that his labors have been rewarded by good results more ample than he anticipated. These results the preceding tables exhibit but in part. What they do exhibit is not unimportant, but what they do not exhibit is that upon which your teacher looks with the greater satisfaction. A moral effect is an end contemplated by all the privileges of the Institution. The school is made instrumental in securing this end. The boys are all taught the commandments, which are repeated by them at regular intervals in each week. The morning schools are opened, and evening schools are closed by reading the Scriptures, singing and prayer. The Bible is also a reading book in school. Singing is an exercise which the boys much enjoy; and almost without exception they are able to sing well. They repeat numerous hymns, most of which have been taught them by the Superintendent in a singing school held in the interval of worship on the Sabbath. The sentiments of these hymns, when sung by them, evidently gain an influence upon the feelings and conduct, which mere instruction fails to gain.

The boys who compose the school, in many instances, have become members when ignorant even of the alphabet. Of 34 received the past year, 19 were thus ignorant. It is no exaggeration to say they were destitute, either of all correct ideas of duty and propriety, or of a dispo-

sition to conform their conduct to such ideas. In numerous instances, boys who were thus destitute when received, have steadily improved, and are making commendable progress in learning.

Your teacher has tried to make the school a pleasant place to his pupils. He has not considered his work done when he has insisted upon good recitations and orderly conduct. Incidents in the lives of men who have been eminent for usefulness have been either narrated or read to the boys as opportunity has been afforded, with a manifest good effect.

Except in a few instances, the boys give evidence of ability, not only to master the various studies attended to in the school, but also to pursue with success any which hereafter they may become interested in, and have the opportunity to prosecute. But it is impossible that boys so ignorant as the majority are when they enter the school, should be far advanced in their studies in the short time they remain; and they will have little opportunity to attend school when they have left the Refuge. Hence, it is desirable that they should remain in the school a longer time than they have been accustomed to remain. This is also desirable in order to secure their future good conduct. A boy may behave himself well in the house, and be making commendable progress in study, long before he is so well established in virtuous principles as to be fit to leave the Institution. It is the opinion of your teacher that it would be a great blessing to the younger and more ignorant if they could remain inmates of the Institution three or four years.

All the boys who can read take books from the library weekly. A good number manifest a commendable desire to read; but their time for reading is quite limited.

We have been receiving from one of the Managers of the Institution ten copies of the Youth's Penny Gazette, and from the Rev. Thomas Allen six copies of the Child's Paper; which, distributed among the boys, have encouraged them to read, and have been quite a means of their improvement. Also from Mr. A. Symington, now deceased, we have been receiving twenty copies of the Sabbath School Visitor. It is hoped that some one will continue to furnish this interesting paper, and that those who have furnished other papers will see in the improvement of the boys encouragement to do this year as they have done the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. D. PERRY,

*Assist. Supt. and Teacher of Boys' School.*

PHILADELPHIA, January 1, 1853.



REPORT OF THE TEACHER OF THE GIRLS' SCHOOL—  
COLORED DEPARTMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REFUGE.

*To Mr. Elisha Swinney, Superintendent.*

SIR: The present number of pupils is 40. The number of pupils admitted into the schools during the past year is 32. Discharged 31.

Of the 32 admitted, but four could read well; 6 could read in McGuffey's 2d Reader; 8 could read in words of three letters; 6 knew the alphabet only, and 4 were ignorant of it. Of the 31 discharged, 18 could read and write well; 7 could read in McGuffey's 2d Reader, and write tolerably well; 3 could read in Angell's 1st Reader. The above number includes 3 girls who were in school only a few days.

The pupils have improved as much as could be expected, considering the limited time they are in school. More advanced reading books have been introduced within the last six months. The result has been an additional interest in reading, and an improvement manifest to the Committee. With a few exceptions, most of the girls read well. They all attend to writing, and some have acquired a neat and easy style; others, of course, write indifferently. I have encouraged them in letter-writing, an exercise which they enjoy. In arithmetic, three of those discharged were advanced into fractions. The Scriptures are read at the commencement of each session of the school, and the New Testament is used in the school as a reading book. The morning and evening devotions, although not held in the school room, and only occasionally conducted by the teacher, deserve to be noticed as an important means of instructing and improving the girls. At these seasons, the girls commit to memory verses of Scripture, and what has been thus committed during the week is recited before the committee of ladies who weekly visit the House. This committee has also been quite an aid to the teacher and to the other officers of the House. In their weekly visits they converse with and instruct the girls, and their words often have an influence for good, where our instructions may be disregarded. All the girls who can read understandingly, are permitted weekly to receive a book from the library, which they must keep in good condition, and return at the appointed time.

Some of the girls read their books with much interest; but there is a more general interest to read juvenile papers. The Youth's Penny Gazette, the Sabbath School Visitor, and Child's Paper are received, a few copies each; and read with much interest. The pupils are generally kind and respectful, and obedient to their teacher. The committee have made frequent visits. Such visits stimulate the pupils, and are a valuable aid to the teacher.

Respectfully,

M. A. BARBOUR, *Teacher.*



EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS FROM PERSONS TO WHOM  
FORMER INMATES HAVE BEEN INDENTURED.

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RELATIVE TO WHITE BOYS.

*December 18, 1852.*

"I have the pleasure of informing you that, since W. H. M. was indentured to me, I have seen nothing in him but what was highly creditable to himself and to the Institution from which he came. He is of good disposition and habits; his language and conduct is of a very respectable order, and, in a word, he has all the prerequisites to become a useful man in society."

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*"December 21, 1852.*

"J. K.'s father was up this fall, and intended to take him away; but J. said he did not wish to leave me, and his father concluded to leave him, as he had so good a place."

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*"December 20, 1852.*

"J. W. M. has been very obedient, and is very contented, and I like him very much. My wife is also very fond of him, and takes the same pains with his dress and conduct as with those of her own son. The neighbors also think a great deal of him."

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*"December 19, 1852.*

"W. T. W. has joined the Methodist Church, and attends his meetings very steadily, and stands very well with his young members."

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*"December 24, 1852.*

"L. R. is very industrious, and improves much. He is careful of his clothing. He is a good boy, and likes his home. I should like to have another such boy."

*"December 10, 1852.*

"I have never been better satisfied with a boy than I have been with J. M. He is honest, industrious, and obedient, and has very much improved."

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*"December 18, 1852.*

"I believe I can safely say that J. P. has been as good a boy as I could have expected. I like him so well that I would like to have another one as good."

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*"December 13, 1852.*

"T. G. is industrious and obedient, and his deportment so far is that of an honest boy, and one whose word can be depended on."

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*"December 24, 1852.*

"I am well satisfied with my selection of a boy. W. D. has exceeded my expectations in doing well for me and for himself also. He is very peaceable and quiet. I have never seen him out of humor, or heard him speak one angry word. He appears to be well satisfied with the place and all the family."

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*"December 26, 1852.*

"C. P. V. has been a very obedient, upright boy, and I am much pleased with him. He is strictly moral in his deportment, pays great attention to his books and papers, and I think will make an industrious, enterprising man. He tells my neighbors that he is well satisfied with his home, and that he never intends to leave me until he serves out his apprenticeship."

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*"December 23, 1852.*

"J. K. is a good boy, and improves in everything he undertakes. He is beloved by us all. I do not think there is a better boy in the country."

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*"December 14, 1852.*

"H. C. is above the mediocrity of boys. He is industrious, and what he does is from principle, and not from fear. If he has any fear, it is that he may displease."



*December 28, 1852.*

"It would be impossible to get a better boy than A. J. S. is. I treat him as if he was my own child, and in return he treats me and my wife as though we were his parents. My neighbors say that he is the best boy in the community."

RELATIVE TO WHITE GIRLS.

*December 27, 1852.*

"I am pleased to inform you that D. W. has been a very good and obliging girl, and we have not had any reason to find fault with her. She does her work well, and is very pleasant. She commits a portion of the Scriptures to memory every Sabbath morning, and learns very fast."

*December 15, 1852.*

"E. K. has been a very good girl. She very often speaks of the matron, and wishes to be remembered to her. We are all glad that she has conducted herself so well that I am able to give so favorable an account of her."

*December 18, 1852.*

"J. V. is a good girl. We are very much pleased with her, and trust she will make an excellent housekeeper and good wife for some industrious honest man."

*December 17, 1852.*

"We are all much pleased with M. M., and are gratified to report that her general conduct has been good. She is modest and chaste in her deportment, neat in her habits, and kind and obliging in her disposition."

*December 10, 1852.*

"E. L. is very kind and affectionate. She is made one of the family, and our children are as fond of her as if she were their own sister."

RELATIVE TO COLORED BOYS.

"A. F. is a fine boy. I have pleasure in stating that he has given me entire satisfaction thus far."

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"J. C. is everything I can wish. He is obedient and honest. He is very industrious, and has improved in his employment. He fulfils the situation to his own credit and my satisfaction. He has not attended school yet, but will do so shortly, but has gone to a place of worship regularly. His health has been good, so far."

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"In regard to J. F., he has been obedient, honest, and careful to speak the truth. I am quite satisfied with him. He has not been to school yet, but has attended chapel regularly."

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"The boy I had from the Institution is in every respect good: being honest, obedient, and careful to speak the truth. I have generally given him pocket-money weekly, which he has taken care of, or made use of in a useful and judicious manner. He has not attended school, but is taught at home by my son, which is, in my opinion, far better."

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"It is with pleasure that I can state that G. W. merits my entire satisfaction; he is a careful, honest, and obedient boy; and has improved considerably in his employment. He is very good amongst cattle; feeds, milks, and takes care of them. He can plough, harrow, fence, and plant, in fact he can do almost anything that is usually done on a farm. We have farmed pretty largely this summer, having planted over 28 acres of corn, 30 acres of potatoes, sowed over 30 acres of wheat, cut about 40 acres of grass, sowed 28 bushels of timothy seed, and several bushels of clover seed, all of which he has been very industrious in helping to raise, farm, and thrash. He bids fair to make a first-rate farmer. I would very much like to have another boy from you, but am afraid they might be a disadvantage to each other. I am quite pleased with G. He generally goes with us to meeting, and appears thoughtful. His health has been good, and he is grown much."



“The boy I had from you is very good and obedient. Has improved in his business, but is slow in his movements. His general conduct is very good. He has attended a place of worship and school, and has made some advancement. His health is good.”

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“In reply to yours, I have to say that C. B. is not so good as I would like him to be, though he is industrious and improved in his employment. He has attended Church, Sabbath School, and day school, but has not made any great progress. His health has been good.”

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“J. F. is obedient, but does not always adhere to the truth; he is rather dull and slow. He has attended Sabbath School, but not day school. I hope, however, he will yet do well.”

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“The boy S. B., whom I had from the Institution, is all I could wish him to be, with the exception that he is troubled with frosted feet. In all other respects, he gives satisfaction, being honest, industrious, and truthful.”

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“I am glad to inform you that C. P. is a good boy, and I am obliged to you for recommending him to me. I am sorry that he has one fault, which I believe to be a natural defect, and of which you must be aware. He speaks the truth, is honest, industrious, and obedient, which, if he continues, will be much to his advantage.”

#### RELATIVE TO COLORED GIRLS.

“M. A. L.’s time has expired with me. She was free yesterday, and will come to your house to let you see that the contract has been complied with.

“I would say that she has been a good girl, and has fully come up to my expectations. She has improved very much in her learning, as also in housework. I could say much more, but I have not time now.”

*Note by Superintendent.*—The girl returned to her place, after spending a few days with her mother in the city.

“M. B. I believe will turn out a good girl; she has not been so encouraging as she might have been; still she has improved, and promises very fair.”

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“E. K.’s conduct is generally very good; she is obedient, very honest, and speaks the truth. She attends school and a place of worship when convenient. Her health has been very good. I wish I could procure another girl whose conduct would equal that of E. K.”

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“In accordance with your request, I beg to state that C. R. is an obedient, honest, and steady girl, is very industrious, and has improved in her employment. She has attended a place of worship and Sabbath school. Her health has been unimpaired.”

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“I am quite satisfied with H. C., and will do all in my power to contribute to her welfare. So long as she continues a good girl, she will have warm friends here.”

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“S. J. is an obedient girl, and so far as I know has been honest and careful to speak the truth. She has improved in her business, but is rather slow. She has neither attended school nor a place of worship, as the only one in this place is of Methodist persuasion, and she does not manifest any disposition to attend there, but reads every Sabbath those good books she brought with her from the Institution. Her health has been very good, and she appears in all respects well contented.”

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*Extract from a Letter addressed to a Manager of the Institution, relative to a White Boy and two White Girls, which were bound to the writer several years previously.*

“January 31, 1853.

“I yesterday enjoyed the extreme pleasure of taking by the hand, and welcoming into the communion and fellowship of the \* \* \* Church, D. F., the last of the three children I have brought from your ‘House of Refuge.’ M. M. C. and J. V., the other two, united with the church two or three weeks since, and I have no doubt all will be ornaments to the church. D. is a very energetic boy, and by proper care and training I doubt not will make a useful man.”



LIST OF OFFICERS AND MANAGERS OF THE HOUSE OF  
REFUGE, PHILADELPHIA, FROM ITS ESTABLISHMENT,  
A. D. 1826, TO JANUARY 5, A. D. 1853.

[A \* prefixed to a name denotes that the party is deceased at the date at which this list is made. SMALL CAPITAL type denotes that the persons whose names are so printed are in office at the time of making out this list.]

PRESIDENTS.

| Elected. |                            | Retired. | Died<br>in Office. |
|----------|----------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| 1826     | *John Sergeant . . . . .   | 1835     |                    |
| 1836     | *Alexander Henry . . . . . |          | 1847               |
| 1848     | THOMAS P. COPE             |          |                    |

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

|      |                            |      |
|------|----------------------------|------|
| 1826 | *Robert Ralston . . . . .  | 1829 |
| 1826 | *Roberts Vaux . . . . .    | 1832 |
| 1829 | *Alexander Henry . . . . . | 1836 |
| 1832 | *Thomas Astley . . . . .   | 1835 |
| 1835 | Thomas P. Cope . . . . .   | 1848 |
| 1835 | *John Goodman . . . . .    | 1848 |
| 1848 | THOMAS EARP                |      |
| 1849 | JAMES J. BARCLAY           |      |

TREASURERS.

|      |                            |      |
|------|----------------------------|------|
| 1826 | *John S. Henry . . . . .   | 1829 |
| 1829 | *Charles Bird . . . . .    | 1831 |
| 1831 | Thomas Earp . . . . .      | 1848 |
| 1848 | Joseph Patterson . . . . . | 1852 |
| 1852 | JOHN L. GODDARD            |      |

SECRETARIES.

|      |                            |      |
|------|----------------------------|------|
| 1826 | James J. Barclay . . . . . | 1849 |
| 1849 | JOHN BIDDLE                |      |

MANAGERS ELECTED BY THE CONTRIBUTORS.

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|-------------|---------------------------------|------|
| May 1, 1826 | JAMES J. BARCLAY                |      |
| "           | " Samuel Bettie . . . . .       | 1829 |
| "           | " *John C. Browne . . . . .     | 1826 |
| "           | " *John Cooke . . . . .         | 1828 |
| "           | " Henry Cope . . . . .          | 1826 |
| "           | " George M. Dallas . . . . .    | 1828 |
| "           | " Thomas Evans . . . . .        | 1829 |
| "           | " *Philip Garrett . . . . .     | 1843 |
| "           | " *John Goodman . . . . .       | 1831 |
|             | Re-elected A. D. 1835 . . . . . | 1848 |
| "           | " *Alexander Henry . . . . .    | 1847 |
| "           | " *John S. Henry . . . . .      | 1835 |
| "           | " Joseph R. Ingersoll . . . . . | 1841 |
| "           | " *Daniel Jaudon . . . . .      | 1826 |

| Elected.                                                                         |  |                        |   |   |   |   | Retired. | Died<br>in Office. |
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| May 1, 1826,                                                                     |  | *James Moore           | . | . | . | . | 1829     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *John Paul             | . | . | . | . | 1829     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Charles Penrose       | . | . | . | . | 1826     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Robert Ralston        | . | . | . | . | 1829     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Charles Roberts       | . | . | . | . | 1831     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *James Ronaldson       | . | . | . | . | 1826     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *John Sergeant         | . | . | . | . | 1835     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | Daniel B. Smith        | . | . | . | . | 1831     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Roberts Vaux          | . | . | . | . | 1832     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Silas E. Weir         | . | . | . | . |          | 1828               |
| " "                                                                              |  | *George Williams       | . | . | . | . | 1831     |                    |
|                                                                                  |  | Re-elected A. D. 1835. | . | . | . | . | 1835     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Bartholomew Wistar    | . | . | . | . | 1831     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Thomas Wistar         | . | . | . | . | 1829     |                    |
| Oct. 3, "                                                                        |  | *Thomas Astley         | . | . | . | . | 1835     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | Ambrose White          | . | . | . | . | 1829     |                    |
| Mar. 22, 1827                                                                    |  | *John Moore            | . | . | . | . | 1829     |                    |
| May 7, "                                                                         |  | THOMAS EARP            | . | . | . | . |          |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Daniel Knight         | . | . | . | . | 1830     |                    |
| May 5, 1828                                                                      |  | *Charles Bird          | . | . | . | . | 1834     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | ISAAC COLLINS          | . | . | . | . | 1842     |                    |
| Absent in Europe two years. Re-elected upon his return to Philadelphia, in 1844. |  |                        |   |   |   |   |          |                    |
| Oct. 16, "                                                                       |  | *Joseph Taylor         | . | . | . | . | 1829     |                    |
| May 4, 1829                                                                      |  | John Y. Clark, M. D.   | . | . | . | . | 1829     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Edward Hallowell      | . | . | . | . | 1829     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Joseph L. Inglis      | . | . | . | . |          | 1834               |
| " "                                                                              |  | Jacob Lex              | . | . | . | . | 1830     |                    |
|                                                                                  |  | Re-elected A. D. 1831. | . | . | . | . | 1837     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | William M. Meredith    | . | . | . | . | 1841     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | Abraham Miller         | . | . | . | . | 1832     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | James Schott           | . | . | . | . | 1833     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Samuel Sellers        | . | . | . | . | 1835     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Henry Troth           | . | . | . | . |          | 1842               |
| July 8, "                                                                        |  | *Thomas Fassitt        | . | . | . | . | 1836     |                    |
| Sept. 27, "                                                                      |  | John U. Fraley         | . | . | . | . | 1837     |                    |
|                                                                                  |  | Re-elected A. D. 1839. | . | . | . | . | 1839     |                    |
| May 6, 1830                                                                      |  | Henry J. Williams      | . | . | . | . | 1835     |                    |
| July 27, "                                                                       |  | *James Cresson         | . | . | . | . | 1833     |                    |
| June 27, 1831                                                                    |  | *Thomas Rogers         | . | . | . | . |          | 1838               |
| Aug. 2, "                                                                        |  | *John H. Cresson       | . | . | . | . | 1831     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *John Musgrave         | . | . | . | . | 1833     |                    |
| Nov. 1, "                                                                        |  | *William H. Keating    | . | . | . | . | 1836     |                    |
| April 3, 1832                                                                    |  | Joseph Warner          | . | . | . | . | 1832     |                    |
| May 7, "                                                                         |  | THOMAS P. COPE.        | . | . | . | . |          |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | Richard Price          | . | . | . | . | 1832     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | John Rakestraw         | . | . | . | . | 1839     |                    |
| June 6, "                                                                        |  | *Nathan Dunn           | . | . | . | . | 1842     |                    |
| May 6, 1833                                                                      |  | *Alexander Symington   | . | . | . | . |          | 1852               |
| " "                                                                              |  | Israel Cope            | . | . | . | . | 1837     |                    |
| " "                                                                              |  | *Thomas Zell           | . | . | . | . |          | 1848               |
| Feb. 4, 1834                                                                     |  | *John B. Bispham       | . | . | . | . | 1837     |                    |



| Elected.       |                                                               | Retired. | Died in<br>Office. |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| Sept. 2, 1834, | FREDERICK A. PACKARD<br>Re-elected A. D. 1843.                | 1841     |                    |
| May 4, 1835    | E. W. Keyser . . . . .                                        | 1835     |                    |
| " "            | *Thomas Shewell . . . . .                                     |          | 1848               |
| July 7, "      | Benjamin W. Tingley . . . . .                                 | 1835     |                    |
| Aug. 4, "      | Clement Tingley . . . . .                                     | 1841     |                    |
| Jan. 16, 1836  | *Robert Earp . . . . .                                        | 1839     |                    |
| " "            | JOSEPH PATTERSON.                                             |          |                    |
| " "            | EDWARD YARNALL [Elected by Mayor, A. D.<br>1851]. . . . .     | 1838     |                    |
| Mar. 1, "      | Alexander W. Mitchell, M. D. . . . .                          | 1842     |                    |
| Jan. 11, 1837  | Robert Ewing . . . . .                                        | 1846     |                    |
| " "            | Townsend Sharpless . . . . .                                  | 1848     |                    |
| Sept. 5, "     | WILLIAM M. COLLINS.                                           |          |                    |
| " "            | *William Foster . . . . .                                     | 1839     |                    |
| Nov. 6, 1838   | Quintin Campbell . . . . .                                    | 1842     |                    |
| " "            | *Bela Badger . . . . .                                        | 1842     |                    |
| Jan. 10, 1839  | Stephen Colwell . . . . .                                     | 1844     |                    |
| May 7, "       | *Richard Benson . . . . .                                     | 1843     |                    |
| Jan. 9, 1840   | JOHN FARNUM.                                                  |          |                    |
| Jan. 13, 1841  | JOHN W. CLAGHORN.                                             |          |                    |
| " "            | Philip B. Chase . . . . .                                     | 1843     |                    |
| April 6, "     | ISAIAH HACKER.                                                |          |                    |
| Nov. 2, "      | *Silas W. Sexton . . . . .                                    | 1844     |                    |
| Jan. 12, 1842  | Edward C. Biddle . . . . .                                    | 1844     |                    |
| " "            | Henry Bird . . . . .                                          | 1845     |                    |
| " "            | HENRY PERKINS.                                                |          |                    |
| Mar. 1, "      | *George D. Blaikie . . . . .                                  | 1843     |                    |
| April 5, "     | THOMAS SCATTERGOOD [Elected by Court,<br>A. D. 1852]. . . . . | 1845     |                    |
| June 7, "      | Samuel F. Troth . . . . .                                     | 1842     |                    |
| " "            | Isaac Hazlehurst . . . . .                                    | 1846     |                    |
| Jan. 11, 1843  | JOHN M. OGDEN.                                                |          |                    |
| Oct. 3, 1843   | WILLIAM SHIPPEN, M. D.                                        |          |                    |
| June 11, 1844  | Archibald McIntyre . . . . .                                  | 1844     |                    |
| Aug. 6, "      | JOHN BIDDLE.                                                  |          |                    |
| " "            | James E. Negus . . . . .                                      | 1852     |                    |
| Jan. 9, 1845   | Thomas F. Wharton . . . . .                                   | 1849     |                    |
| May 6, "       | Benjamin Stiles . . . . .                                     | 1849     |                    |
| Jan. 14, 1846  | MORDECAI L. DAWSON.                                           |          |                    |
| " "            | James R. Greeves . . . . .                                    | 1846     |                    |
| " "            | *Joseph Donath . . . . .                                      |          | 1846               |
| Jan. 13, 1847  | JOHN ROBBINS, Jr.                                             |          |                    |
| " "            | Arthur G. Coffin . . . . .                                    | 1847     |                    |
| April 6, "     | ALEXANDER HENRY, Jr.                                          |          |                    |
| " "            | *Paul W. Newhall . . . . .                                    |          | 1848               |
| April 4, 1848  | JOHN L. GODDARD.                                              |          |                    |
| Sept. 12, "    | JEREMIAH HACKER.                                              |          |                    |
| Oct. 3, "      | ALEXANDER FULLERTON.                                          |          |                    |
| " "            | CASPAR WISTER, M. D.                                          |          |                    |
| Jan. 10, 1849  | GEORGE M. TROUTMAN.                                           |          |                    |
| July 3, "      | WILLIAM PETTIT, M. D.                                         |          |                    |
| Aug. 7, "      | JOHN M. WHITALL.                                              |          |                    |
| April 6, 1852  | WILLIAM S. PEROT.                                             |          |                    |
| " "            | GEORGE W. FOBES.                                              |          |                    |

MANAGERS APPOINTED BY THE COURT OF QUARTER SESSIONS OF  
PHILADELPHIA.

| Appointed. |                                    | Retired. | Died in<br>Office. |
|------------|------------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| 1832       | PETER HAY                          |          |                    |
| "          | *John Goodman . . . . .            | 1835     |                    |
| "          | *Elijah Dallett . . . . .          |          | 1847               |
| 1835       | *Joseph Taylor . . . . .           | 1839     |                    |
| 1839       | Abraham Helfenstein, M. D. . . . . | 1839     |                    |
| "          | Isaac Kline, M. D. . . . .         | 1849     |                    |
| 1848       | Henry S. Patterson, M. D. . . . .  | 1850     |                    |
| 1849       | Hugh Clark . . . . .               | 1852     |                    |
| 1850       | Thomas C. Bunting, M. D. . . . .   | 1852     |                    |
| 1852       | THOMAS SCATTERGOOD.                |          |                    |
| "          | JOHN T. SMITH.                     |          |                    |

MANAGERS APPOINTED BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PHILA-  
DELPHIA.

|      |                              |      |
|------|------------------------------|------|
| 1832 | George M. Wharton . . . . .  | 1836 |
| "    | *Silas W. Sexton . . . . .   | 1840 |
| 1836 | *George Handy . . . . .      | 1839 |
| 1839 | Mordecai L. Dawson . . . . . | 1844 |
| 1840 | Isaac Elliott . . . . .      | 1851 |
| 1844 | William B. Fling . . . . .   | 1849 |
| 1849 | James Bayard . . . . .       | 1851 |
| 1851 | EDWARD YARNALL.              |      |
| "    | VINCENT GILPIN.              |      |

SECRETARIES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

|      |                             |      |
|------|-----------------------------|------|
| 1832 | George M. Wharton . . . . . | 1834 |
| 1834 | *John B. Bispham . . . . .  | 1836 |
| 1836 | Joseph Patterson . . . . .  | 1837 |
| 1837 | Robert Ewing . . . . .      | 1846 |
| 1846 | John Biddle . . . . .       | 1849 |
| 1849 | Alexander Henry . . . . .   | 1851 |
| 1851 | PETER HAY.                  |      |

MEMBERS OF THE INDENTURING COMMITTEE.

|      |                                                    |      |      |
|------|----------------------------------------------------|------|------|
| 1829 | Isaac Collins [Re-elected, A. D. 1848. See below.] | 1842 |      |
| "    | *Henry Troth . . . . .                             |      | 1842 |
| "    | Jacob Lex . . . . .                                | 1831 |      |
| 1830 | THOMAS EARP.                                       |      |      |
| "    | James Schott . . . . .                             | 1833 |      |
| 1831 | *Thomas Fassitt . . . . .                          | 1835 |      |
| 1833 | *Thomas Rogers . . . . .                           |      | 1838 |
| 1835 | Clement Tingley . . . . .                          | 1841 |      |
| 1838 | *Alexander Symington . . . . .                     |      | 1852 |
| 1841 | *Thomas Shewell . . . . .                          |      | 1848 |
| 1842 | JOHN W. CLAGHORN.                                  |      |      |
| 1842 | *Thomas Zell . . . . .                             |      | 1848 |
| 1848 | JOHN M. OGDEN.                                     |      |      |
| 1848 | ISAAC COLLINS.                                     |      |      |
| 1850 | JOHN M. WHITALL.                                   |      |      |



COUNSELLORS.

| Elected. |                               | Retired. | Died<br>in Office. |
|----------|-------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| 1841     | JOSEPH R. INGERSOLL.          |          |                    |
| 1841     | William M. Meredith . . . . . | 1850     |                    |
| 1850     | HENRY J. WILLIAMS.            |          |                    |

PHYSICIANS.

|      |                                     |      |
|------|-------------------------------------|------|
| 1828 | *Samuel George Morton, M.D. . . . . | 1829 |
| "    | John Wiltbank, M.D. . . . .         | 1831 |
| 1829 | Caspar Morris, M.D. . . . .         | 1834 |
| 1831 | J. Marshall Paul, M.D. . . . .      | 1836 |
| "    | William Rush, M.D. . . . .          | 1831 |
| "    | Wilson Jewell, M.D. . . . .         | 1836 |
| 1832 | *Thomas F. Ash, M.D. . . . .        | 1836 |
| 1834 | Edward F. Rivinus, M.D. . . . .     | 1836 |
| 1836 | Squier Littell, M.D. . . . .        | 1836 |
| "    | Thomas F. Betton, M.D. . . . .      | 1837 |
| "    | John Holmes, M.D. . . . .           | 1837 |
| "    | James F. Latta, M.D. . . . .        | 1837 |
| 1837 | Theophilus E. Beasley, M.D. . . . . | 1837 |
| "    | Lewis Rodman, M.D. . . . .          | 1838 |
| "    | *Okie H. Costell, M.D. . . . .      | 1838 |
| "    | *Frederick Turnpenny, M.D. . . . .  | 1838 |
| 1838 | James A. McCrea, M.D. . . . .       | 1840 |
| "    | Charles Bell Gibson, M.D. . . . .   | 1840 |
| "    | John F. White, M.D. . . . .         | 1840 |
| 1839 | Thomas S. Kirkbride, M.D. . . . .   | 1840 |
| "    | John D. Griscom, M.D. . . . .       | 1840 |
| 1840 | Samuel McCleane, M.D. . . . .       | 1846 |
| 1846 | ELLERSLIE WALLACE.                  |      |

SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT FOR WHITE CHILDREN.

|      |                              |      |
|------|------------------------------|------|
| 1828 | *Jared Bunce . . . . .       | 1828 |
| 1829 | *John M. Keagy, M.D. . . . . | 1830 |
| 1831 | Edwin Young . . . . .        | 1851 |
| 1851 | THOMAS G. RUTHERFORD.        |      |

MATRONS OF THE DEPARTMENT FOR WHITE GIRLS.

|      |                                           |      |
|------|-------------------------------------------|------|
| 1828 | *Elizabeth Chapman . . . . .              | 1829 |
| 1829 | Catharine Sherlock (late Gowey) . . . . . | 1843 |
| 1843 | Martha Dungan . . . . .                   | 1843 |
| 1843 | ELIZABETH MORGAN.                         |      |

SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT FOR COLORED CHILDREN.

|      |                             |      |
|------|-----------------------------|------|
| 1849 | Thomas W. Summers . . . . . | 1851 |
| 1851 | ELISHA SWINNEY.             |      |

MATRONS OF THE DEPARTMENT FOR COLORED GIRLS.

|      |                              |      |
|------|------------------------------|------|
| 1849 | Anna Maria McPhail . . . . . | 1852 |
| 1852 | ELIZABETH FREELAND.          |      |

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LIST OF OFFICERS AND MANAGERS FOR 1853.

*President*, THOMAS P. COPE.

*Vice-Presidents*, { THOMAS EARP,  
JAMES J. BARCLAY.

*Treasurer*, JOHN L. GODDARD.

*Secretary*, JOHN BIDDLE.

*Managers.*

Peter Hay,  
Joseph Patterson,  
Isaac Collins,  
John Farnum,  
John W. Claghorn,  
Isaiah Hacker,  
Henry Perkins,  
John M. Ogden,  
Frederick A. Packard,  
William Shippen, M. D.,  
William M. Collins,  
Mordecai L. Dawson,  
John Robbins, Jr.,

Alexander Henry,  
Jeremiah Hacker,  
Alexander Fullerton,  
Caspar Wister, M. D.,  
George M. Troutman,  
William Pettit, M. D.,  
John M. Whitall,  
Vincent Gilpin,  
Edward Yarnall,  
Thomas Scattergood,  
William S. Perot,  
George W. Fobes,  
John T. Smith.

*Indenturing Committee.*

Thomas Earp,  
John W. Claghorn,  
John M. Ogden,

Isaac Collins,  
John M. Whitall.

*Counsellors*, { Joseph R. Ingersoll,  
Henry J. Williams,

*Physician*, Ellerslie Wallace, M. D.

*Ladies' Committee.*

Mrs. Maria Wood,  
Mary B. Sharpless,  
Eliza S. Jones,  
Hetty M. Newkirk,  
Elizabeth Dawson,  
Mary Boswell,

Mrs. Julianna R. Wood,  
Maria S. Hacker,  
Emily A. Bacon,  
Ann Earp,  
Miss Ann Leamy,  
Mrs. Maria Bispham.

WHITE DEPARTMENT.

*Superintendent*, Thomas G. Rutherford.

*Assistant Superintendent and Principal Teacher of Boys' School*, George Blyth.

*First Assistant Teacher of Boys' School*, Charles A. Gallup.

*Second Assistant Teacher of Boys' School*, Joseph L. Chester.

*Matron*, Elizabeth Morgan.

*Assistant Matron*, Sarah Ann Fitzsimmons.

*Teacher of Girls' School*, Hessa R. Miller.

COLORED DEPARTMENT.

*Superintendent*, Elisha Swinney.

*Assistant Superintendent and Teacher of Boys' School*, Hezekiah D. Perry.

*Assistant Teacher of Boys' School*, William H. Paton.

*Matron*, Elizabeth Freeland.

*Assistant Matron and Teacher of Girls' School*, Martha A. Barbour.